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The First International Conference of Young Mongolists will be held

01 MAY, 2019

The National Council of Mongol Studies at the Mongolian Ministry of Education, Culture, Science and Sports held a meeting, where the Council reviewed the report on the activities of the Council for 2018 and considered and adopted the action plan for 2019.

The Council has decided to intensify the activities of overseas Mongol Studies Centres within the framework of supporting the promotion of Mongol Studies. It has also decided to hold this year three scholarly conferences with due consideration of the scale and scope of Mongol studies, the issues of interest and potential participants. For instance, this year for the first time an International Conference of Young Mongolists will be organised with the objective of strengthening the continuity of Mongolists with a younger generation, and increasing

the involvement of young scholars into MongolStudies. Almost a dozen different activities have been planned to be implemented designed at strengthening the foundations of Mongol Studies, including the support for the promotion of the activities of the International Association for Mongol Studies. The Council has decided to support the International Association for Mongol Studies noting that the Association cannot carry forward its activities only through the membership dues without any kind of other financial support. The Council has also decided to make plans for the organisation of summer schools for young Mongolists specifically in order to encourage students and young people who are interested in pursuing Mongol Studies, and to give them a possibility to learn first-hand about the lifestyle and culture of the Mongols.

"Khan of Mongolia, the 8th Bogd Javzandamba Khutuktu"

01 MAY, 2019

A ceremony to launch an exhibition "Khan of Mongolia, the 8th Bogd Javzandamba Khutuktu" was held at the National Museum of Mongolia in Ulaanbaatar on 1 May 2019. On display are items used by Javzandamba Khutuktu, his biographies, select collection of his written works, sayings and preaching related to religion, state and government affairs, edicts, decrees and proclamations, letters and other communications. On display are items used by Javzandamba Khutuktu, his biographies, select collection of his written works, sayings and preaching related to religion, state and government affairs, edicts, decrees and proclamations, letters and other communications. Also on display are historical rare and important collections, including rare photographs taken during the Javzandamba Khutuktu's lifetime. The inauguration of the



exhibition was attended by D. Sükhbaatar,
Director of the National Museum of Mongolia,
Academician D. Regdel, President of the
Mongolian Academy of Sciences, Gabji D.
Choijamts, the Khambo Lama of
Gandantegchenling Monastery - the Centre of
Mongolian Buddhists and other officials.

The "Day of National Script" this year will be observed under motto the "National Script - Independence"

30 APRIL, 2019

The "Day of National Script" this year will be observed under motto the "National Script - Independence" according to the organisers of the Day.

The Day of National Script, which is celebrated to study, develop and promote the mother language, script, history and culture, and their monuments, was marked this year on 3 May at the National Library of Mongolia in Ulaanbaatar. More than 120 different kinds of activities, such as special



contests, scholarly conferences, meetings, discussions, trainings, and series of exhibitions highlighting the culture and traditions of Mongol writing have been organised under special plans by the education and cultural departments under the city municipality and aimag (rural province) administrations.



Mongolian Buddhism: Tradition and Innovation

25-26 APRIL, 2019, BUDAPEST

In the series of annual European seminars of the International Association for Mongol Studies the 3rd international conference on Mongolian Buddhism was held on 25–26 April, 2019 in Budapest, Hungary at the Eötvös Loránd University. The conference entitled "Mongolian Buddhism: Tradition and Innovation" was organized and hosted by the Department of Mongolian and Inner Asian Studies, Eötvös Loránd University (ELTE) in cooperation with the IAMS, the Research Centre for Mongolian Studies (ELTE) and Budapest Centre of Buddhist Studies (ELTE). Several other institutions, like Gandantegchenling Monastery, Embassy of Mongolia, Dharma Gate Buddhist Church and Eternal Art Gallery provided support for the event. The present series of conferences on Mongolian Buddhism has been started in 2015 (Mongolian Buddhism: Past, Present, Future) and continued in 2017 (Mongolian Buddhism in Practice) with great success. During the third conference held on 25–26 April, 2019 more than 90 researchers and high ranking lamas from 14 countries

(Hungary, Mongolia, China, Russia, Germany, Poland, Czech Republic, Austria, France, Switzerland, UK, Japan, Estonia, Finland) participated and presented papers in English, Mongolian and Russian. Beside the European and Asian scholars, representatives of many Mongolian communities (Mongolia, Kalmykia, Buryatia, Inner Mongolia, Qinghai and Xingjian) visited the conference and introduced the results of their researches. The topics of the presentations covered various aspects of Mongolian Buddhism and a wide range of research fields was represented. Sessions were organized for presentations on 1) Buddhist art and symbols, 2) history of Mongolian Buddhism, 3) life of saints, reincarnations and eminent monks, 4) studies on Buddhist philosophy and science, 5) Buddhist literature, sacred texts and written sources, 6) monasteries and sacred sites, 7) linguistic aspects, 8) prayers and rites. During the opening ceremony Birtalan Ágnes, the president of the IAMS welcomed the participants, and S. Chuluun, secretary general of the IAMS closed the conference.

The greeting words sent by U. Khurelsukh, prime minister of Mongolia, Venerable D. Choijamts, abbot of the Gangdantegchenling Monastery and Venerable Ch. Dambajav, abbot of the Dzuun Khuree Dashchoiling Monastery emphasized the importance of the conference and its valuable impact on international studies of Mongolian Buddhism.

The proceedings of the conference will be published similarly to the proceedings of the previous two conferences of the series. The conference program, the abstracts of the presentations and photos of the event are available at the conference's website: http://innerasia.hu/event/mongolian-buddhism-conference-2019

Religion, Politics, and National Identity in Mongolia Today

23 APRIL, 2019, BERN

IRC Religious Conflicts and Coping Strategies project investigates the history and present practice of the worship of the Tibetan Buddhist protective deities in Mongolia. In post-socialist Mongolia, some of these deities play an increasingly important role in the conflicting constructions of a Mongolian Buddhist identity which is negotiated partly along doctrinal lines such as the soteriological position of the different protective deities. The present project aims to engage with these identity constructions. Research questions include the history and spread of the cult of protective deities in Mongolia, their doctrinal position and different functions for monastic and lay followers in Mongolia, the possible effects of the Dalai Lama's negative stance towards one of these deities in the context of the identitybuilding processes of Mongolian Buddhist communities, as well as the implications and influence of the cult of protective deities on the identity politics of the Mongolian state at the interface of the religious and the secular. The scholars and researchers presented their papers including,

"The Amban's Bloody Nose: Dorjé Shugden



and 19th-Century Khalkha
Scholastic Culture" by Matthew King,
"Divergent Nationalisms: Plural Imaginations
on "Mongolian"Buddhism among Mongol
Monks"by Ippei Shimamura, The Bumpa
Road Initiative by Lkhagvademchig J,
Presentation of the sub-project "Dorje
Shugden in Mongolian Society"
Iuliia Liakhova and Presentation of the subproject "Mongolian Protector Dei- ties" by
Mungunchimeg Batmunkh.



The Cultural Heritage of Mongolia: Collection of Manuscripts and Archival Documents

18-19 APRIL, 2019, ULAANBAATAR

Under the auspices of the President of Mongolia, the fourth international scientific conference themed The Cultural Heritage of Mongolia: Collection of Manuscripts and Archival Documents took place in Ulaanbaatar on April 18-19, 2019. This year, the conference is taking place with involvement of over 30 scholars and researchers from 21 institutions studying Mongolian history, culture, language, and literature including institutes of MAS, some universities of Mongolia, Institute of Oriental Studies of the Russian Academy of Sciences, as well as some museums and universities of Russia and Inner Mongolia, China.

President of Mongolia Khaltmaagiin Battulga received international Mongolists who came to attend the conference, co-organized by the Institute of History and Archaeology of the Mongolian Academy of Sciences, the International Association for Mongol Studies,

and the Institute of Oriental Manuscripts of the Russian Academy of Sciences. At the beginning of the meeting, President Battulga expressed gratitude to the Mongolists for coorganizing the fourth international scientific conference, where many important presentations are being discussed, and stressed his commitment to the promotion of Mongolian studies, as the President of Mongolia. President Battulga also appreciated the attendance of many Mongolists who are studying the history and culture of Mongolia in the conference and encouraged them to take active part in the celebration of the 800th anniversary of Karakorum City in 2020 and the 12th International Congress of Mongolists in 2021. The conference features presentations about Mongolian heritages being preserved in Russia, China, and Japan and discussions on current state and future trends of researches.

"The Values of the Mongols"

18 APRIL, 2019, ULAANBAATAR



The Culture and Arts University of Mongolia has organised a scholarly conference "The Values of the Mongols". 17 research scholars from the Culture and Arts University, the Culture and Arts Institute of the same university, the Mongolian Academy of Sciences, The Law School, the School of Humanities, the Institute of Sustainable Development at the National University of Mongolia, the Management Academy, and the "Development Synergy" NGO presented their papers on the values of the modern-day Mongols, their growth, changes and trends. Doctor, Professor S. Dulam: The values of nations and countries are listed according to

"Why is the 8th Bogd Javzandamba Khutuktu proclaimed as the theocrat ruler?"

15 APRIL, 2019, ULAANBAATAR

A scholarly conference under theme "Why is the 8th Bogd Javzandamba Khutuktu proclaimed as the theocrat ruler?" was held at the initiative of the National Library of Mongolia under the framework of the 150th birth anniversary of the Bogd Khan. The conference was attended by the executive management of the National Library and the Bogd Khan Palace Museum, research scholars, scholars and researchers of the Wisdom and Culture Institute under the

alphabetical order. They include a host of things such as family, politics, culture, mind and spirit. Our country, with a rich history and culture, has the possibility of having a very long list. There is a sociological study carried out by the Institute of Culture and Arts. 1,500 people were involved in the study that covered the distribution of the population, education and income levels. From among the cultural values, the Mongolian language was considered as valuable by 97 percent of those people who participated in the study, while 96.8 percent of them consider Mongolian dress as an important value.



Gandantegchenling Monastery - the Centre of Mongolian Buddhists, research associates of the Central Archives of Mongolia and other scholars and researchers of the Bogd Khan Study.

"Study of Language Culture - 2019"

12 APRIL, 2019, ULAANBAATAR

The second scholarly conference "Study of Language Culture - 2019" was held in Ulaanbaatar. The first conference was held in 2018 organised by a team of professors of the Mongolian Language and Culture of Language Study of the Culture School of the Culture and Arts University.9 scholars and researchers in Mongolian linguistics presented their research papers at the conference. Research papers by scholars of the Culture and Arts University, the Institute of Language of the

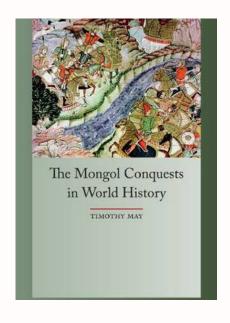


Mongolian Academy of Sciences, National University of Mongolia, the Confucius Institute at the National University, the Mongolian National University of Education, as well as institutes of higher learning from Russia and China, such as the Kalmyk University, the Inner Mongolian University and the Inner Mongolian University.

Lecture: Cultural Influences in Mongol Warfare

11 APRIL, 2019, ULAANBAATAR

Dr. Timothy May is the Associate Dean of Arts and Letters and Professor of Central Eurasian History at the University of North Georgia. He is the author and editor of eight books, including The Mongol Art of War (2007), The Mongol Conquests in World History (2012), The Mongol Empire (2018), and most recently, The Mongols (2019), a brief examination of why the Mongols succeeded and why the empire ended. Armies of the Mongol Empire are typically imagined as vast armies of nomadic horse archers. While this is true and it always remained the core component of the Mongol military in any part of the empire, the Mongol military used a variety of different units based on the operational theater and the availability of different units. In addition to highly mobile armies of light horse-archers, the Mongols



also field armies of what might be termed as combined arms. This went beyond the oft-cited "60-40" mix of light and heavy cavalry. In certain situations, we find Mongol armies using transforming siege weaponry into field artillery, adapting new tactics and combination of troops in riverine warfare, and mixes of cavalry and infantry in jungle warfare in southeast warfare.

Emerging Subjects of The New Economy

09 APRIL, 2019, ULAANBAATAR

This 5-year ERC- funded project is composed of ten researchers exploring the emerging subjects of this new era of global economic flux. These include how people negotiate resources in shifting landscapes, access to infrastructure and bureaucracy; emergent relations between state, society, and mining companies; the access and use of loans and investments; the politics of debt and crisis; and national and individual trading strategies. In doing so they reveal how current economic transformations come to shape and are being shaped by people at different registers and scales.



UPCOMING EVENTS

M.E.S.S. 2019 - Religions in Mongol Eurasia

WEDNESDAY 15TH MAY 2019

Location: C3 - Centrum für Internationale Entwicklung Alois Wagner-Saal Sensengasse 3, 1090 Vienna

09.00-09.15

Opening Remarks

09.15-10.30 Session One - Religious Economies

Enerelt Enkhbold (National University of Mongolia)

Mongol Tax Policy On Religions: A Macroeconomic Perspective Or Amir (Hebrew University of Jerusalem) Divination as Cultural Capital Across Mongol Eurasia: A Mamluk Perspective

Yoichi Isahaya (Hokkaido University) From Alamūt to Marāgha: Religious Polarization and Scientific Commonalization

Discussant: Shane Bobrycki (University of Vienna)

10.30-11.00

Coffee Break

11.00-12.15 Session Two - Golden Horde

Yihao Qiu (Fudan University) Genealogical Perspective on Berke's Islamic Conversion

Alexander Uzelac (Institute of History, Belgrade)

Religious Conditions in the Western Lands of the Golden Horde

Szilvia Kovács (MTA-ELTE-SZTE Silk Road Research Group and University of Szeged) Elias of Hungary, a Franciscan Diplomat in the Golden Horde

Discussant: **Ekaterini Mitsiou** (Göttingen Academy of Sciences / Austrian Academy of Sciences)

12.15-13.45

Lunch Break (for Conference Participants) 13.45-14.45 Session Three – Religions and Narratives

Johannes Gießauf (University of Graz)
Religions in the Mongol Empire(s) through

Christian eyes

Konstantin Golev (Bulgarian Academy of Sciences) Witch-hunt in the Mongol Empire: Traditional Mongol Religion vs. Witchcraft

Discussant: Pier Giorgio Borbone (University of Pisa)

14.45-15.15 *Coffee Break*

15.15-16.30 Session Four – Religious Personnel and Bureaucratization

Martón Vér (Berlin-Brandenburg Academy of Sciences)

Religious Communities and the Spread of Information in East Turkestan under Mongol Rule Francesca Fiaschetti (University of Vienna) Religious Pluralism and Legitimacy in Mid-Yuan China

Qiao Yang (The Hebrew University of Jerusalem) Managing the Knowledge of the Future: Local Divination Schools in Yuan China (1271-1368)

Discussant: Jana Valtrová (Masaryk University)

16.30-17.00 *Coffee Break*

17.00-18.15 Keynote Lecture

Peter Jackson (Keele University)
The Mongols and Religions:
Precocious Tolerance or Cynical Manipulation?

Discussant: Philippe Buc (University of Vienna)

Further Information:

https://ordu-mess.weebly.com/forthcomingevents.html

Please register until 3rd May 2019 to secure a seat. Contact: Karin Jirik (karin.jirik@univie.ac.at)













"Research on the rituals of Kazakh people and its issues"



/the guidance of the second International Conference/

Third international conference on "Research on the rituals of Kazakh people and its issues" will be held on August 19-24, 2019 in Ulaanbaatar, which will be organized by the Department of Literary and arts studies, National University of Mongolia.

Background information: The first international conference was held on August 15-17, 2009 in Ulgii city, with the help of Governor's office of Bayan-Ulgii aimag, which was initiated by Ph.D candidate B.Riza within the scope of Professor B.Khishigsukh's joint research project with the Association of Rituals of Ordos people in China.

The purpose of the meeting: To discuss new research on the contribution of Kazakh people to the development of Mongolian culture and history, as well as the current issues of Kazakh cultural studies.

Themes:

- New research on the Kazakh and Mongolian epic poems
- Mongolian and Kazakh ethnic rituals, ancient and present
- -The current issues concerning Kazakh and Mongolian culture and history

The criteria:

- -The paper size-210-297 mm, the margins-top 4 cm, the bottom 3 cm, the left 2.5 cm, the right 2.5 cm,
- -No longer than 5-15 pages
- -The paper could be written in both English, Kazakh, Mongolian and Russian languages
- -The abstract should be written in English, Kazakh and Mongolian
- -Times New Roman font should be used

The conference will take place at the 1st floor of the main building of the National University of Mongolia on August 19-20, 2019.

Approximately 12-15 presentations/papers will be presented (10-15 minutes for each). Q&A session will be last 5 minutes.

A conference call:

- 1. Last name and name. School address
- 2. Last name and name. Academic title
- 3. Title and abstract (in Mongolian, English and Kazakh)

Transportation fees and accommodation costs of the international participants will not be covered the organizers.

P.S: The organizers can help in arrangement of hotel booking in Ulaanbaatar.

Wish you all the best for the International Conference on "Research on the rituals of Kazakh people and its issues".

Please send your personal and professional information with the presentation/paper (as well as the title and abstract) to below mentioned email addresses before 5 July, 2019:

khishigsukh_b@yahoo.com and rizabaygavil@gmail.com.

Contact numbers: 99174902, 94094902, 88880322,



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RESEARCH SEMINARS

EASTER TERM 2019

Tuesdays 4.30 pm to 6.00 pm Seminar room, The Mond Building, Free School Lane

Tuesday 23 April

Kerry Brown

Lau China Institute, Kings College London

China at the Borders: Xi Jinping's Ambition and the Role of the Margins

Tuesday 7 May

Ildikó Beller Hann

University of Copenhagen

Uyghur Muslim Identity: Local Historial Narratives from Eastern Xinjiang

Tuesday 21 May

Séagh Kehoe

University of Leicester

Losing the "Spirit of the Grasslands": Economic Development, Cultural Commercialisation, and the Online Politics of Representation of Tibetan Modernity in Contemporary China

Tuesday 4 June

Riamsara Knapp

MIASU, University of Cambridge

Himalayan Connections:
Melting Glaciers, Sacred Landscapes and Mobile Technologies in a Changing Climate

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Mongolei-Colloquien im Sommersemester 2019

(Mittwochs 18.00 - 20.00 Uhr)

24. Apr. 2019 Ulrike Gonzales M.A. (Lehrbeauftragte am IAAW, HU-Berlin):

"Was ist *Nutag*? Überlegungen zum mongolischen Konzept von Heimat"

- **22. Mai 2019** Dr. h.c. (RUS) Peter Schaller, Botschafter a.D. (Berlin): "Die geostrategische Situation der Mongolei"
- **12. Juni 2019** G. Bold (B9 Media Studio, Ulaanbaatar):

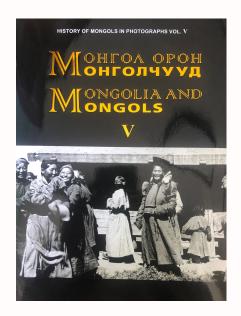
 "Social Media in der Mongolei: Nutzung und Auswirkungen"
- **26. Juni 2019** Dr. Wilhelm Grundmann (Berlin):

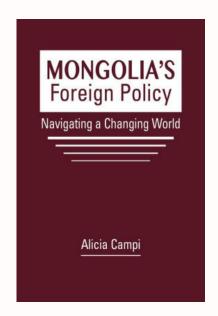
"Mongolische Postgeschichte: Von Chinggis Khan bis zur heutigen Mongolei"

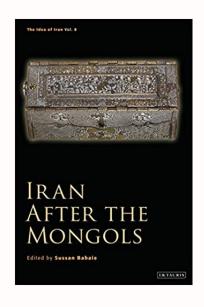
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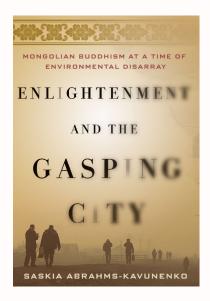
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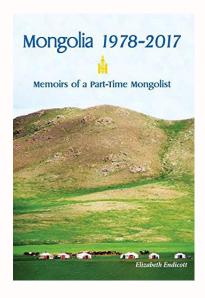
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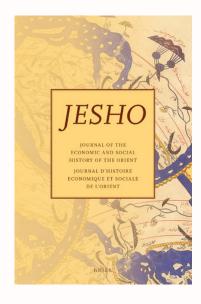


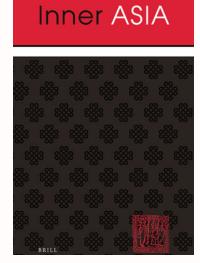












Eötvös Loránd University (ELTE), Faculty of Humanities Research Center For Mongolian Studies

1088 Budapest, Múzeum krt. 4/B, Hungary

Research Center for Mongolian Studies has been established in 2014 at the Eötvös Loránd University (ELTE), Budapest as a research institution working beside the Department of Mongolian and Inner Asian Studies. The opening of a new research center was initiated by Ágnes Birtalan, the head of the Department of Mongolian and Inner Asian Studies, and the initiative was supported by the government of Mongolia (National Council for Mongolian Studies), the Ministry of Education and Science of Mongolia (Foundation for the Promotion of Mongolian Studies) and the Mongolian Embassy in Budapest.

According to the agreement between the Eötvös
Loránd University and the Ministry of Education and Science of Mongolia, the Research Center for Mongolian Studies has been opened ceremonially on 18th October, 2019 by Ts. Elbegdorj, president of Mongolia, and has continued to work with the regular support of Mongolia. The scientific opening of the center took place on 12th



Ts. Elbegdorj, president of Mongolia opens the Research Center for Mongolian Studies (2014.10.18)

November, 2019 during the visit of B. Enkhtüwshin, president of the Mongolian Academy of Sciences within the framework of a workshop. Under the guidance of Ágnes Birtalan two young research fellows, Krisztina Teleki and Attila Rákos started to work in the center. The research center continues the old tradition of Mongolian studies in Hungary going back to the 19th century and its activity is closely related to the Department of Mongolian and Inner Asian Studies founded by Lajos Liget at the Eötvös Loránd University in the early 1940s.

The main activity of the research center focuses on

- researches in various fields of Mongolian studies, including
 Mongolian religions and shamanism, folklore and traditional culture
 (Birtalan Ágnes), Mongolian Buddhism (Teleki Krisztina) and linguistics
 (Rákos Attila)
- publishing research results in publications and international conferences
- organizing international conferences, workshops and academic forums
- participation in the teaching activity of the Department of Mongolian and Inner Asian Studies
- establishing and widening cooperation with international centers of Mongolian studies
- organizing events for propagating Mongolia, Mongolian language and culture in Hungary

At the present the researchers of the center are working various topics related to Mongolian studies, including, but not limited to the following ones:

- elaboration of field-work materials collected by the Hungarian-Mongolian Joint Expedition between 1991 and 2014 mostly in Northern and Western Mongolia, but also in other territories
- elaboration and publication of materials collected by Gábor Bálint
 of Szentkatolna between 1871 and 1873 in Kalmykia and Mongolia
- publication of interviews recorded from elderly lamas in Mongolia between 2004–2013
- studies on the history of Oirat dialect, based on the records of 17th 19th century European travellers and Oirat script sources
- researches on modern Mongolian dialects (Oirat, Khalkha)
- studies on the khutugtus and khubilgans in Mongolia
- studies on Mongolian Shamanism and folk religion
- studies on the heritage of A. M. Pozdneev

A 4 year research project entitled "Written Tradition of a Minority Culture in Multiethnic Environment: Cultural and Linguistic Aspects of the Oirat Literacy" was started in 2018 with the support of the Hungarian National Research, Development and Innovation Office under the guidance of Birtalan Ágnes and with the participation of Rákos Attila. The project aims the elaboration of Oirat manuscripts kept in the Library of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences, publishing detailed studies on their content and linguistic features, as well as building a searchable electronic corpus of Written Oirat sources.

To promote Mongolian language and culture, as well as Mongolian studies in Hungary the research center prepares teaching materials for students and learners of Mongolian language, as well as records interviews with famous Hungarian Mongolists on the history of Mongolian studies in Hungary.



Participants of the workshop dedicated to the opening of the Research Center for Mongolian Studies (2018.11.13)

The research center participated in the organization of several international conferences and workshops in Hungary and Mongolia. A series of conferences on Mongolian Buddhism is jointly organized by the Research Center for Mongolian Studies and the Department of Mongolian and Inner Asian Studies. The first conference in this series was held on 16–17 April, 2015 (Mongolian Buddhism: Past, Present and Future), the second on 24–25 April, 2017 (Mongolian Buddhism in Practice) and the third on 25–26 April, 2019.

The research center also took part in the organization of the following workshops and conferences:

- Endangered Varieties of Mongolian (27 April, 2017, Budapest, Eötvös Loránd University)
- Studies on Mongolian History, Language and Culture (19–20 June,
 2017, Budapest, Eötvös Loránd University, Hankuk University of Foreign
 Studies)
- Kőrösi Csoma Sándor (Alexander Csoma de Kőrös), a Traveller in Search of the Origin of Hungarians – Workshop on Mongolian and Tibetan Studies (26 October, 2017, Ulaanbaatar, Mongolian National University of Education
- Workshop on Mongolian Buddhism dedicated to the Ceremonial Reception of the Mongolian Buddhist Canon and Mergen Gegen Monastery's Sutra Collection at Eötvös Loránd University (3 May, 2018, Budapest, Eötvös Loránd University)
- Mongolia at the beginning of the 20th century and Hungarians who visited Mongolia (30 October, 2018, Ulaanbaatar, Mongolian National University of Education)



Participants of the international conference "Mongolian Buddhism in Practice" in Budapest (2017.04.24)

During its 4 years existence the members of the Research Center for Mongolian Studies presented the results of their researches in more than 30 international conferences, published several academic articles, papers and books. The research center established connections with many institutions abroad, especially in Mongolia (e.g. Research Center for Mongolian Studies at the Mongolian National University of Education, Insitute for Language and Literature of the Mongolian Academy of Sciences, Faculty of Humanities at the National University of Mongolia, Choi Luwsanjaw College, Centre of Cultural Heritage of Mongolia, etc.), and participates in publishing of joint publications.



The participants of the opening ceremony of the Research Center for Mongolian Studies (2014.10.18)

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Participants of the international conference "Mongolian Buddhism: Tradition and Innovation" in Budapest (2019.04.25)

Organs of research center



Birtalan Ágnes (CSc):

Head of the Research Center for Mongolian Studies (ELTE), head of the Department of Mongolian and Inner Asian Studies (ELTE), president of the International Association for Mongol Studies, cultural envoy of Mongolia Research fields: Mongolian and Inner Asian philology, Mongolian Buddhism and shamanism, folk religion, traditional nomadic culture, Mongolian folklore, Korean Buddhism and shamanism

Books and book chapters published abroad

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 Schmalzriedt, Egidius Haussig, Hans Wilhelm. Stuttgart, Klett-Cotta Verlag 2001. pp. 879-1097.
- Oirat. In: The Mongolic Languages. (Routledge Language Family Series) Ed. Janhunen, Juha. London – New York, Routledge 2003. pp. 210-228.
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